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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BACHELET TO VISIT EUROPE

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Classified By: Ambassador Craig A. Kelly. Reasons: 1.4 (b and d).

11. (SBU) In her first trip to Europe as president, Michelle Bachelet will travel to Spain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Austria during the week of May 8-14. Bachelet is scheduled to depart Santiago on May 8 and travel to Spain for a state visit on May 9-10. After a brief stop in Bosnia and Herzegovina, where she will visit Chilean peacekeepers, Bachelet will travel to Vienna to attend the EU-Latin American/Caribbean Summit on May 12.

12. (C) Comment: President Bachelet's European tour may offer an opportunity for like-minded European countries to discuss with Bachelet their concerns about Venezuela's activities in the Western Hemisphere and Venezuela's UNSC candidacy. Post notes that the more independent any European approaches on Venezuela appear, the stronger will be the impact on Bachelet and Chile (reftel).
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